



Patent

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In RE application of S. WATARI et al

Serial No.: 10/681,212

Group Art Unit: 1743

For: AUTOMATIC ANALYZER

Examiner: B.R. Gordon

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

- ☐ Small entity of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.
- ☐ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
- ☐ No additional fee is required.

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X 25	\$
X 100	\$
X 180	\$
Total	\$

OR

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SMALL ENTITY

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X 200	\$
X 360	\$
Total	\$

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**AMENDMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of October 15, 2008, please amend the above-identified application as follows. A Petition for a one-month Extension of Time and appropriate fees also accompany this response.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks / Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.